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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

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10 CENTRAL FREIGHT LINES, INC.,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 AMAZON FULFILLMENT
SERVICES, INC., et al.,

14 Defendants.
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CASE NO. C17-0814JLR

ORDER GRANTING MOTIONS
TO SEAL AND DIRECTING
BRIEFING


16 Before the court are Plaintiff Central Freight Lines, Inc.'s motions to seal. (1st
17 Mot. (Dkt. # 14); 2d Mot. (Dkt. # 20).) Defendant Amazon Fulfillment Services, Inc.
18 does not oppose either motion. (See 1st Mot. at 2-3; 2d Mot. at 2-3; Dkt.) The court has
19 reviewed the motions and the proposed redactions and concludes that they overcome the
20 strong presumption of public access to the court's files. *See Kamakana v. City & Cty. of*
21 *Honolulu*, 447 F.3d 1172, 1178-79 (9th Cir. 2006); *In re Conagra Foods, Inc.*,
22 No. CV 11-05379-MMM (AGRx), 2014 WL 12577132, at *4 (C.D. Cal. July 11, 2014)

1 (“A demonstration that public disclosure of internal financial information will cause
2 competitive harm to a party’s business constitutes a compelling reason that justifies
3 sealing.”); *see also* Local Rules W.D. Wash. LCR 5(g). Accordingly, the court GRANTS
4 both motions (Dkt. ## 14, 20) and DIRECTS the Clerk to retain the seal on the related
5 documents (Dkt. ## 15, 15-1, 15-2, 21, 21-1).

6 Because the court had not yet ruled on the motions to seal when it issued its order
7 denying Central Freight’s motion for a temporary restraining order (“TRO”), the court
8 filed that order preliminarily under seal. (*See* 5/26/17 Order (Dkt. # 41) at 1, 11-12.)

9 Having granted the motions to seal, the court ORDERS the parties to meet and confer
10 regarding which, if any, portions of the May 26, 2017, order they seek to have redacted.
11 The parties must then submit one joint statement or, if they cannot agree on a joint
12 statement, competing statements indicating the portions of the order they seek to have
13 redacted and on what basis. *See Kamakana*, 447 F.3d at 1179-80. Any joint or
14 competing statement must attach a proposed redacted order that incorporates the
15 redactions requested in the corresponding statement. The parties must file any such
16 statement by July 7, 2017. The court will consider any requests to redact and then file the
17 order on the docket with any necessary redactions.

18 Dated this 19th day of June, 2017.

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21 JAMES L. ROBART
22 United States District Judge